



Fulbright Teaching Excellence and Achievement Program

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ONLINE APPLICATION GUIDE *FOR APPLICANTS*

Please confirm with the U.S. Embassy/Fulbright Commission in your country that the online application is being accepted.

1. **Register** as a new applicant by creating an account at: <https://fulbright.irex.org/>

2026 Fulbright Teacher Exchanges Online Applications

This is the official application for the 2026 Fulbright Teacher Exchanges Program, and all applicants must complete their application through this system.

The following application(s) are now open for **U.S. educators**:

- 2026-2027 Fulbright Teachers for Global Classrooms Program
- 2026-2027 Fulbright Leaders for Global Schools Program

The following application(s) are now open for **international educators**:

- 2026-2027 Fulbright Teaching Excellence and Achievement Program
- 2026-2027 Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Program for International Teachers

Please click the button below to begin your application. If you have already have an account, please click the "Log In" button below.



Data Use and Privacy Policy

Your privacy is important to IREX. That is why we request that all applicants read the following privacy policy statement carefully.

1. **Applicant and Participant Information Content and Storage**

Information about program applicants and current and past participants consists of data contained in their applications, information derived from interviews, and information gathered during the course of their program and as program alumni. IREX stores this information in written and electronic form indefinitely. Some data, such as contact information and professional experience, is continually updated.

2. **Use of Information**

Information, which is described above, may be:

- A. Used by selection committees and interviewers to review applicants;
- B. Supplied to the program's funding organization;
- C. Submitted to potential host schools, universities, and/or organizations that provide Fellowship opportunities;
- D. Used for the evaluation of an individual's participation in the program and in the collection of data for general program evaluation by IREX and the program funding organizations;
- E. Used for notifying program participants/alumni of upcoming events and programs;
- F. Provided to participants/alumni of this and other U.S. Government-sponsored programs for the purpose of fostering alumni networking.

If the applicant or current or past participant does not want to be included in point F, it is their responsibility to notify their specific program administrator at IREX. An opportunity to do so will be included in the program Terms and Conditions document that participants submit when accepting the Fellowship. IREX does not sell applicant, or current/past participant information.

The principles stated herein are binding only to IREX; other organizations involved in the administration of these programs may adhere to other privacy or similar policies.

Consent for the Collection and the Processing of Personal Data from the European Union

1. Pursuant to the European Union General Data Protection Regulation ("EU GDPR"), International Research and Exchanges Board ("IREX"), in its capacity as a data controller and/or processor under the EU GDPR, must obtain your explicit, affirmative, and informed consent before it can collect or process any personal data for a lawful basis, including, but not limited to, employment, admission and enrollment, study abroad, internship abroad, online education, etc. For information on how IREX uses personal data, please review the Privacy Statement found at <https://www.irex.org/privacy-policy>.
2. "Personal data" means any information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person (a "data subject"). An identifiable natural person is one who can be identified, directly or indirectly, in particular by reference to an identifier such as a name, an identification number, location data, an online identifier or to one or more factors specific to the physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural, or social identity of that natural person.
3. Any personal data that is collected from you will be:
 - A. Used by selection committees and interviewers to review applicants;
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4. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, IREX may process personal data without the data subject's consent under certain other lawful bases, including when processing is necessary for the performance of a contract to which a data subject is a party; when processing is necessary for compliance with a legal obligation to which IREX is subject; or when processing is necessary to protect vital interests, such as the life of a data subject.
5. Personal data will be handled and processed only by the persons who are responsible for the necessary activities for the purpose above and may be transmitted from the EU to IREX's Information Systems.
6. Refusal of consent may make it impossible for IREX to carry out its necessary activities for the purpose above and may preclude IREX's ability to provide requested educational services, employment, participation in programs, or other services to you.
7. You have the right to withdraw your consent to the collection and processing of personal data. If you would like to withdraw consent, please contact the Data Protection Officer at privacy@irex.org
8. IREX is committed to ensuring the security of your information. We have put in place reasonable physical, technical, and administrative safeguards designed to prevent unauthorized access to your information.

Certification

☐ I certify that I completed this application myself, without any aid or assistance, that the information given in this application is complete and accurate, and that I have carefully read and understand all notes and disclaimers provided therein. I understand that IREX reserves the right to verify all the information listed in the application. I understand that giving false or misleading information in the application will result in exclusion from the competition or immediate dismissal from this program.

☐ Having read this notice, I give consent for the use of my personal data, and the transfer of personal data overseas, for the purpose outlined in this notice.

Save & Continue

2. **The home page** allows you to view all the sections required to submit your application. Please keep track of which of those are complete, in progress, or not yet started. Note: *You do not need to finish the application in one sitting. Remember your login information and you may come back to the application at any time prior to your country specific deadline.*

My Application: Fulbright Teaching Excellence and Achievement Program

I. Application Information

Provide general application and program information and review and acknowledge eligibility criteria.

Completed

II. General Information

Provide general applicant information, including name, gender, date of birth, country of citizenship, and country of residence.

In Progress

III. Contact Information

Provide detailed phone, email, and address information.

Not Started



3. Click on **each section** of the application to enter information about yourself. Make sure to Save & Return to the main application page when you are finished with each section.

Questions with a red asterisk (*) are required questions. The section will not be complete until all of the boxes with red asterisks are completed.

Please indicate your program cohort preference*

☐ Spring 2027 Cohort ☐ Fall 2027 Cohort ☐ No preference

Note: preference is not guaranteed

Title*

☐ Dr. ☐ Mr. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Ms.



Your response will give the selection committee an opportunity to better understand you as a teacher leader and your desire to participate in the program. Statements must be clearly written to be considered. Please write a minimum of 200 words and a maximum of 500 words for each response. Please complete all information in English.

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Part I.

Why do you want to participate in the Fulbright TEA Program?*

4. **Sections XII. Institutional Support and Reference Form and XIV. Leave Approval Form:** In these sections, please download and print the Institutional Support and Reference Form and Leave Approval Form. These forms must be completed for your application to be considered complete. Your supervisor must fill out the Institutional Support and Reference Form. The School Director at the school where you are currently employed must fill out the Leave Approval Form. Once these forms are completed, upload an electronic copy to the system. These sections are not complete until they are uploaded.



Institutional Support and Reference Form

We accept documents in .pdf, .png, .jpg, or .gif formats. On this page there is a link to the Institutional Support and Reference Form. As an applicant for the Fulbright TEA program, you must include the Institutional Support and Reference Form as part of the application. The form must be completed by the supervisor at the school where you are employed. Please print it out now and give it to your supervisor. An English translation must be provided if the form and reference letter are not written in English. Please upload the completed form in this section. Once the form is uploaded, this section will be marked as complete.

Additionally, please ensure the document you are uploading is not password protected.

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The document must be less than 4MB in size and upload to the server in less than 2 minutes. Any upload that takes more than 2 minutes to upload or is larger than 4MB will fail. For best results, please use the smallest possible files that are legible.

To upload a document, first click the browse button to locate the file on your computer. Then click the upload button. A message in the "status" column will confirm when your document is successfully uploaded. You may upload the pages of the form individually or as one file.

Download & Print Institutional Support and Reference Form

[Institutional Support and Reference Form](#)

PLEASE NOTE: Depending upon the speed of your Internet connection, it may take up to several minutes to upload your document. You will see a message saying that the file has been received once the upload completes. Later, when you revisit this page, a link to your uploaded document(s) will be shown.

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Leave Approval Form

We accept documents in .pdf, .png, .jpg, or .gif formats. On this page there is a link to the Leave Approval Form. As an applicant for the Fulbright TEA program, you must include a completed and signed Leave Approval Form as part of the application. The form must be completed and signed by the director of the school where you are employed. Please upload the completed form in this section. Once the form is uploaded, this section will be marked as complete.

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5. **Section XV. Supplemental Documents:** If you would like to upload any other documents that you feel strengthen your application, please do so here.

Supplemental Documents

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6. When you have **completed all sections**, click “Generate PDF” at the bottom of the page to save a copy of your application for your records. Finally click “Review & Submit Application”. The screen will show a preview of your application. Review the information. If you have no further changes, click “Submit Application” a second time and your application will be submitted.



XIII. Institutional Support and Reference Form

Completed

Upload a completed institutional support and reference form in JPEG, GIF, PNG, or PDF format (files should not exceed 4 MB each in size).

XIV. Leave Approval Form

Completed

Upload a completed leave approval form in JPEG, GIF, PNG, or PDF format (files should not exceed 4 MB each in size).

XV. Supplemental Documents

Completed

Upload any additional documents to support their application (eg. resume, passport copy, transcript, etc.) in JPEG, GIF, PNG, or PDF format (files should not exceed 4 MB each in size).

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Review & Submit Application



7. You will see a message on the screen verifying that you have **submitted your application**.

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Congratulations! Your application has been successfully submitted.

